

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The personal interview conducted on January 22, 2004 between Elizabeth A. Hanley and Examiner Kishore is gratefully acknowledged. The Listing of Claims above is consistent with the claims that were discussed during that interview.

The presentation of the newly added claims should in no way be construed as an acquiescence to any of the rejections/objections contained in any previous office actions received in related applications. It is respectfully submitted the rejections or objections issued in any related applications do not pertain to the newly added claims. The claims are being presented solely to expedite prosecution of this patent application and to direct claims to the particular indication being treated without any reference to function or mechanism. Furthermore, the presentation of the newly added claims is not related to any issues of patentability. Applicants reserve the option to prosecute the same or similar claims as those originally filed in the instant application or any subsequent application.

Support for the new claims presented herein may be found throughout the specification and claims in the present application and/or parent applications. No new matter has been added. Particularly, support for new claims 2-81 may be found, *e.g.*, in the specification as filed in at least on pages 7, line 7 - page 9, line 3; page 10, line 3 - page 11, line 11; page 12, line 15 - line 27; page 13, line 4 - page 15, line 16; and page 16, line 32 - page 18, line 2. Further support can be found in the Figures, *e.g.* see at least WAS-31 in Figure 10. Please note that method claims of inhibiting amyloid deposition and /or for reducing amyloid deposits using the species presently being claimed have issued previously in U.S. Patent No. 5, 972,328, see at least claims 6, 13 and 54.

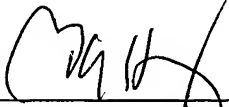
A copy of the request for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), which was submitted in order to establish copendency with the present continuation application, is submitted herewith. No additional extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, if such an extension of time should be required, then the Commissioner should charge the associated fee to Deposit Account No. 12-0080, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

In view of foregoing, favorable consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited. If there are any remaining issues or Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with the Applicants' representative would be helpful in expediting prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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